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NEW SCHEDULE

Emergency Slab Replacement Work Southbound Interstate 15 near State Route 138

Cajon Pass - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin an emergency slab replacement project on Wednesday, March 2, 2005. The work will replace the outside lane of southbound I-15 in the Cajon Pass from the "Runaway Truck Ramp" to SR-138, nearly 2 miles in length. Damage to the outside lane occurred during the recent storm which resulted in large potholes and broken pavement slabs. Heavy traffic volumes in the Cajon Pass also contributed to the pavement deterioration.

Two right lanes will be closed for work from 6 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Monday through Friday. After pavement is poured, one closed lane will reopen while the pavement dries for convenience to motorists. Quick-dry cement, which dries in about 2 hours, will be used in this project. The emergency work is expected to take approximately two weeks.

Caltrans encourages you to keep current on road closures before you leave home by accessing our Web site at http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist8/road_info.htm. For additional information, motorists can call our Public Affairs office at (909) 383-4631.

Caltrans reminds motorists to always drive carefully through construction zones and be especially careful when driving in inclement weather. Remember to allow yourself more time as rain and wet roadways often cause motorists to drive more slowly. Above everything else, be alert; stay smart, and **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE.**

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